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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Larry L. Hood et al.

Application No.: 08/957,911

Filed: October 27, 1997

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
MODIFICATIONS OF VISUAL ACUITY
BY THERMAL MEANS

Examiner: s. Harris-Ogugua

Art Group: 3736

AMENDMENT UNDER 35 C.F.R. § 1.115

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 30, 1998, please amend the above-entitled application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 11, 13 and 16 as follows:

- 1 11. (Amended) A ^{thermokeratoplasty} thermokeratoplastic tip that can be inserted into a cornea,
2 comprising:
3 a stop; and,
4 a tip that has a dielectric band and extends from said stop between 300 and 600
5 microns.

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